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Commissioner of Patents
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
Customer Service Window, **MS Amendment**
Randolph Building
401 Dulany Street
Alexandria, VA 22314

Re: Amendment and Response
Appl. No.: 10/733,776
Filed: December 12, 2003
Title: **Process for the Fermentative Preparation
of L-Amino Acids Using Strains of the
Enterobacteriaceae Family**
Inventor(s): Rieping, Mechthild
Atty. Dkt.: 7601/80921

Dear Sir:

The following documents are being submitted herewith for appropriate action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office:

1. Amendment and Response Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111;
2. Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136; and
3. Return postcard.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge the fee listed below to our Deposit Account No. 06-1135 under Order No. 7601/80921. The Director is also authorized to charge any fee deficiency with respect to this filing and any other fee required in connection with the present case, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 06-1135 under Order No. 7601/80921.

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CALCULATION OF ADDITIONAL FEES

Applicant(s) have calculated additional fees as follows:

	No. After Amendment	No. Previously Paid for	No. Extra	Rate	Fee
Total Claims Fee	20	20 =	0	\$ 50.00	0.00
Independent Claims Fee	2	3 =	0	\$ 200.00	0.00
Multiple Dependent Claims Fee	0	0	0	\$ 360.00	0.00
Total Additional Claims Fee					0.00
2-Month Extension of Time					450.00
TOTAL FEES DUE					\$ 450.00

It is respectfully requested that the enclosed postcard be stamped with the date the enclosed documents are received by the PTO and that it be returned as soon as possible.

Very truly yours,

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